

Applicants: Bebbington, et al.
Application No.: 10/632,428

REMARKS

The Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has required restriction of the claims in this application under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following 2 groups:

- I. Claims 1-28, drawn to compounds, compositions, and one method of use; and
- II. Claims 12-28, drawn to methods not in group I.

The Examiner contends that the inventions of each group are distinct and independent from each other and that searching the groups together would represent an undue search burden.

Applicants elect for further prosecution Group I, without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to pursue any unelected subject matter in continuing applications claiming priority herefrom.

Conclusion

Applicants request that the Examiner consider the above remarks and allow the claims to issue.

Respectfully submitted,



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